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Dangerous Colour For Catholics

Vatican City, July 13.—The Vatican tonight threatened to excommunicate all Catholics who are willing supporters of Communism.

The Vatican also threatened to withhold the Holy Sacrament from all Catholics who apologized for Communism or who printed, distributed or read its literature.

This drastic step was taken by the Supreme Sacred Congregation of the Holy Office, the Church's ruling body on matters of faith. The decision was announced in the Acta Apostolicae Sedis, the official Vatican Gazette promulgated by the Pope personally.—Reuter.

CHARGE AGAINST ROBESON

Washington, July 13.—A Jewish leader today accused the Negro singer, Paul Robeson, of taking part in "a deliberate Communist conspiracy to inflame racial and religious minorities here against the United States."

The statement, by Rabbi Benjamin Schultz, of New York, who is Executive Director of the American Jewish League Against Communism, was presented to the House of Representatives Committee on Un-American Activities.

Rabbi Schultz said that the conspiracy had two aims, namely, inciting Jews, Negroes and other groups against American, and getting racial groups against one another by exaggeration and creating differences through "insidious propaganda."

Rabbi Schultz said that the ultimate aim was to throw America into confusion, thus paving the way for a Stalinist revolution and conquest.

He added: "The majority of the Negroes, Jews, Catholics and foreign-born, in common with their fellow-Americans, detest Communism."—Reuter.

Economic Chiefs Of Commonwealth Countries Confer

London, July 13.—The Economic Ministers of 10 Commonwealth countries, starting vital talks here today on the sterling-dollar deadlock, began a search for short-term methods to meet the immediate crisis.

The leaders opened their talks with a two-hour morning session which the Finance Minister of New Zealand, Mr Walter Nash, called "a good start."

Mr Ghulam Mohammad, of Pakistan, said that the morning meeting was "successful" but that it was only a beginning.

On Friday the delegations will get down to medium and short-term plans to earn more dollars by increasing Sterling area exports.

Later the leaders will discuss long-term methods aimed to assist a re-balance of dollar and Sterling area economies.

The Finance Ministers are being assisted at this afternoon's session—the second of the conference—by their respective advisers and technical experts.

At the morning session, the Commonwealth economic leaders were understood to have discussed the agenda and programme of their secret talks on the dollar-sterling deadlock. The advisers and experts accompanying the leaders met separately in the morning to deal with the more technical and specific aspects of questions to be raised at the talks.

AMERICA PLACATES TITO

Berlin, July 13.—America made a placatory gesture towards Marshal Tito's anti-Cominform campaign by radio today.

An order from Washington requested the U.S. Military Government station RIRS in Berlin to delay inauguration of its new 100,000 watt transmitter.

The reason, it was learned, lay in Yugoslav complaints that RIRS was pirating the wavelengths of Radio Belgrade.

RIRS had announced that the new transmitter would start operating next Monday.

Overnight, the U.S. States Department intervened through Military Government channels.

It is learned that RIRS may have to keep its new transmitter off the air either until it obtains a new wavelength or can prove that its antenna shield will protect Radio Belgrade from interference.—Associated Press.

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ATTLEE'S WELCOME

Mr Clement Attlee, the Prime Minister, welcoming the economic leaders before the talks began, declared that the problem they had to deal with vitally affected them all. Recognising that they had their own special problems in each particular country, he added, the broad problem they had to face was one which concerned the whole of the Commonwealth and indeed, the whole world. To bring here the combined wisdom of all the Commonwealth countries would help greatly towards a solution, he said.

Mr Attlee observed that one of the recommendations of the Conference of Commonwealth Prime Ministers here last October was that there should be meetings of the Finance Ministers when there were urgent and important financial matters to be considered. He recognised how difficult it was for Commonwealth Ministers, with their many and heavy preoccupations at home to attend this conference, especially at short notice, and he was particularly grateful for the manner in which they had responded to the invitation. He hoped that the conference would enable the countries represented not only to solve the immediate problem which was before them but to lay foundations for the working out of long-term policies.

SOUTH AFRICA

Mr Attlee remarked that the financial problems before them were bound up with the political settlement and stability of the world. (Continued on Page 5)

STARS FORCED BACK



Comedian Danny Kaye is flanked by tennis stars Margaret Osborne du Pont (left) and Louise Brough (right) as they joke on the ramp of their New York-bound plane in London. The plane, a Pan-American World Airways Stratocruiser, was forced back when engine trouble developed 600 miles west of Shannon, Ireland. The big ship, with 54 passengers and nine crew members aboard, limped back to the Irish airport on three engines. (AP Photo).

Waremba's Owners To Protest To Chinese Customs

The owners of the converted minesweeper Waremba, which was confiscated last week-end by the Chinese Maritime Customs for entering the port of Shihao, in Communist-occupied Shantung Province, have decided to protest to the Chinese authorities against the seizure.

NEW OATH FOR POLICE RECRUITS

London, July 13.—A Member of Parliament asked in the House of Commons today about a new oath of allegiance sworn by recruits to the Hongkong Police, which, he said, omitted the words: "To well and faithfully serve His Majesty."

The Colonial Under-Secretary, Mr David Rees-Williams, told the Member, Major, E.A.H. Legge-Bourke, that the Governor of Hongkong had since agreed to restore the previous formula.

Major Legge-Bourke asked if the original change had been seen and approved by the Colonial Secretary.

Mr Rees-Williams said that the change had been made incidentally in a general consolidating ordinance. It had not been submitted to the Colonial Secretary by draft and his approval was not necessary.

After enactment the ordinance was sent in the ordinary way for the King's approval. The Governor of Hongkong had been told that the King would not be advised to disallow the measure.

Major Legge-Bourke said he thought a change in the oath was of sufficient constitutional importance to have had a separate ordinance and not to have been included in the general list.

Mr Rees-Williams agreed that the change should not have been in a consolidating ordinance.—Reuter.

Greek Freighter Still Aground

Point Arguello, California, July 12.—The Coast Guards today said that the Greek freighter, Ioannis G. Kulakundis, remained firmly grounded on the rocks off Point Arguello and the vessel probably was lost. A crew of 35 has already been removed without injury.—United Press.

Dockers' Strike Paralyzes London

Chiang Lands In Canton

Canton, July 14.—Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek arrived here from Taipei at 11 o'clock this morning in his private plane.

The Generalissimo, whose arrival was unexpected as he was scheduled to arrive in the afternoon, was met at the airport by a small group of high-ranking Government officials, which included Acting President Li Tsung-jen, the Premier, Marshal Yen Hsi Shan, and Dr Chen Li-fu.

The Generalissimo was dressed in a military uniform without a hat. He was smiling as he stepped down from his plane.

The Generalissimo motored directly from the airport to the Executive Yuan, where he had a talk with Marshal Yen, after which he drove to Acting President Li Tsung-jen's residence.

The Supreme Council of the Kuomintang, consisting of 12 members, will be convened for the first time either tomorrow or the day after when all its members have arrived here.—Reuter-AAP.

IMPORTANT MOVE

London, July 13.—The authoritative French newspaper, Le Monde, in an article today on the conversations between Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek and President Quirino of the Philippines, said: "It seems that we may be on the brink of important decisions concerning a Pacific Pact."

The paper presumed either that the Philippines President had decided to force the hand of the U.S. Department of State, or the latter had decided the moment had come to alter its diplomacy and was leaving to the Philippines responsibility for the new initiative.

Le Monde considers that the British Foreign Office may be the intervention of Chiang Kai-shek in the Far Eastern Alliance a new factor that is unwelcome while British business circles still hope for trade with Communist China.

The newspaper underlines the eagerness of Australia and New Zealand for the Far Eastern Pact, and goes on to consider whether they will accept (Continued on Page 5)

ATTLEE REPORTS TO PARLIAMENT

London, July 13.—The Prime Minister, Mr Clement Attlee, reported a steady worsening in the dock labour position to-night when he asked Parliament to approve emergency regulations designed to end the crippling paralysis in the Port of London.

Tonight 13,964 dockers were officially stated to be idle—nearly 30 percent more than on Monday, when a state of national emergency was proclaimed.

The congestion of neglected ships became more acute, with 132 vessels idle—five more than yesterday.

The five-man Docks' Emergency Committee, formed to control the Port during the emergency, was in continuous session throughout the day.

There were several minor developments, but tonight there seemed little chance of an early end of the dispute.

The "Lock-Out" Committee, leading the idle dockers, announced a demonstration for Sunday which a spokesman forecast would be "something which has not been seen in dock-land for 30 years."

Mr Attlee, examining the dockers' claim that they were victims of an employers' lock-out, told Parliament: "I think there is no doubt that this is a strike."

He referred to the dockers' dislike of working ships or cargoes labelled "black" (concerned in a dispute).

SENSE OF LOYALTY
They had, the Prime Minister said, "a very strong sense of loyalty to their fellow workers, but in the present case this loyalty is misguided—and is being unscrupulously exploited."

It was "utterly untrue" to say that some great trade union principle was involved.

Mr Attlee read a cable from the President of the Canadian Trades and Labour Congress stating that the Canadian Seafarers' strike—which precipitated the British docks dispute—was not recognised by the Congress.

The Prime Minister warned: "The situation is such as grave."

ly to injure the economy of this country at a critical period in its history."

He said that 13,528 men were "on strike"—a slightly lower figure than that given officially at the docks—and that there were 11,000 still at work.

LOSS OF AUTHORITY
Mr Anthony Eden, deputy Opposition leader, promised Conservative support for the Government but said his party did not acquit the Government of all blame.

They should have explained the situation to the dockers earlier and more fully. One of the features of the situation which disturbed him, he said, was the loss of authority of the trade union leaders.

Mr Clement Davies pledged the Liberal Party's support of the Government.

Mr William Gallacher (Communist), opposing acceptance of the measure, said that it was a disgrace to any Government composed of men who rose to power out of the sufferings and struggles of the working classes.

Cries of "Chuck him out!" greeted him when he quitted from St. John's Gospel.

He was continuing, when a Conservative asked if it was right in the British House of Commons for religious beliefs and opinions to be "belittled by a hooligan like this."

ILLEGAL CONSPIRACY
The Speaker, Colonel Douglas Clifton Brown, said he did not think there was a ruling which made it out of order.

"I must say it fills me with disgust," he added.

Mr Gallacher went on to condemn the Government for "betraying their country and their class for a handful of dirty, lousy dollars."

One independent speaker said that the measure should come to declare the Communist Party in Britain an illegal conspiracy.

Sir Hartley Shawcross, the Attorney-General, said that while, in general, strike action did not involve a breach of the Criminal Law, there were exceptions.

One was a strike not confined to industrial objects—strikes designed to achieve political results by unconstitutional means.

Those found to have taken part would be guilty of seditious conspiracy.

"No one would attribute any such intention to the great mass of the dockers in the present stoppage," Sir Hartley said. "On the other hand, the position of other individuals is being carefully watched."

Referring to an earlier statement he had made about unofficial strikers, Sir Hartley stated he was not talking about legal treason by individuals but about the duties and responsibilities of all citizens, whatever their political views, in a democracy.—Reuter.

OPIUM HAUL AT KAI TAK

An outward-bound Chinese passenger for Canton was detained at Kai Tak airport this morning when they found a large quantity of raw opium in his luggage. Concealed in two kilobags were 928 tael of the drug, equivalent to about 77 pounds in weight.

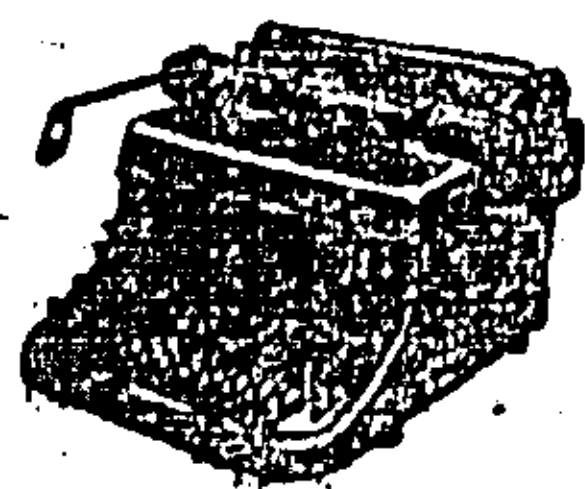
EDITORIAL

Democracy's Big Chance

THE Cominform's economic boycott of Yugoslavia, which has caused Marshal Tito to appeal to the capitalist West for assistance, presents democracy with one of its greatest opportunities in Europe since the war. Tito, with his obstinate refusal to take orders, has for a long time been a sharp thorn in Russia's side. Dictatorships seek always to give the world an impression of solidarity and strength. Anything which tends to weaken that impression, any lack of discipline such as that displayed by Marshal Tito, is dangerous and must be promptly and ruthlessly dealt with. The pretence must be kept up. And the tragedy is that in the course of time this pretence usually becomes a reality: secret police and concentration camps combine with deadly efficiency to eliminate "undesirable thoughts" and bring recalcitrants to heel. The breaking of a people's spirit, however, takes time, and in the new dictatorships of eastern Europe the pretence of solidarity is not so easy to sustain. The Communists are in power, but there is the uneasy power of minority governments. Some people support the new order enthusiastically; others are variously apathetic, suspicious, or frankly hostile. Such opposition is a constant threat to the Cominform leaders, but one which is unlikely to develop into open rebellion—for fear of the consequences—without outside encouragement. A far greater threat is nationalism—or "Titoism", as it has come to be called—within the Communist party itself. Nationalism, and the longing for independence, have a stronger appeal than

political ideologies; and their appeal is universal—not even the Communist rulers are immune. Of this the Russians are well aware. Tito gave the lead; they dare not allow his example to be followed by any of the other satellites. Hence the campaign against Yugoslavia, a campaign which has so far been one of economic sanctions and propagandist vilification. Russia has practically cut off all her trade with Yugoslavia since last year; Hungary, Poland and Czechoslovakia are dutifully following suit. And there is no guarantee that the attempt to enforce discipline will stop there: "border incidents" may be the next stage. Against this background it is not surprising that Tito has turned to the West. He has already negotiated trade agreements with France and Italy, and Yugoslav talks with Britain have been going on for some time. Now he has gone further afield, and is reported to be seeking a loan from the United States. It is to be hoped that America will realise the significance of this approach, and take advantage of it. A large number of people in Eastern Europe are watching Yugoslavia, and Tito's stubborn stand against the Kremlin, with interest. They have seen Tito go Communist without falling blindly under Russian influence; they have seen him hold out against the reprisals and efforts to bring him back into line. If now they see his courage rewarded—if, that is, Tito succeeds in getting Western help without having to sacrifice his political principles—they themselves may well be encouraged to break with their Russian overlords. The West must take the opportunity.

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Soft Styling Is A Definite Influence In Bridal Fashions

LOS ANGELES.
SOFT styling is a definite influence in bridal fashion this season, according to bridal consultants. Reflections of this trend are seen in the increased number of sheer fabrics being sold, the popularity of above-the-knee gowns, more bouffant styling for which brides indicate a preference, and the consistent demand for erinottes and hoop skirts.

Features include sheer or girdle dresses, versatile linen jacket dresses, collars for daytime and evening, and for wedding ensembles.

In the City Visit sequence account was on travel suits and day dresses, in dark-toned sheer wools, cottons and silks. Sheer fabrics were noted in the cocktail and evening dresses as exemplified in a cold dot organza in safe au lait with a soft suede belt and stand-up collar, and in a sheer organza in summer brown with full skirt trimmed with rickrack and worn over a brown taffeta slip.

The basic warmth of versatile suits and cottons and sheer wools, featuring removable jackets, set the keynote in the cool resort section of the show, with a "going-away" evening gown in light blue, receiving good notice from the audience. Likewise, a dress came on a natural linen halter dress with a brown velvet jacket and matching belt.

In addition, cottons were pointed up in playtime coordinates. Linen for casual dresses and sheer organza and lace interesting for cocktail time and evening wear.

Colors were highlighted in the warm resort clothes, in lilies, bright cotton prints and shantung as necessary basics. Other wardrobe necessities shown were cotton play clothes, beach ensembles, and evening dresses of light-toned piques and sheer organza.

Enamels With A Lacquered Look

KANSAS CITY.
MODERATE price and inexpensive enamelled jewelry never has looked better for summer wear as it is doing now. The whites and pastel shades are in great demand. Pinks and blues and some pale greens, as well as the bright red for the "lacquered" look are expected to be good summer favorites.

Enamelled jewelry now has become a staple item in the accessory front. Scatter pins, bracelets and necklaces create considerable interest. The bracelets with hourglass or cage of discs attached are new.

New Media Necklaces

Elsewhere it was reported that interest in bracelets is beginning to wane and novelty necklaces and earrings to make were second in importance to scatter pins. In these sets, white is the big color. Necklaces made of shells, straw and wood, which have a fresh new look, are said to be popular for wear with summer cottons.

Pearl larfats are also accorded an important place with white leading and pink, second.

The dressy trend is also winning acceptance in novelty necklaces, but in bracelets the tailored gold chain with plain or novelty disk is a decided favorite.

Little interest is shown in compact at this time, however, there are a few novelties which are selling well. Designs decorated with animals and ballet slippers are other styles which attract considerable interest.

Learn How to Use Perfume



Movie Star Teresa Wright chooses her perfume to match the occasion. For the evening, she says, a heavy scent is nice, for daytime, a light flower scent.

By HELEN FOLLETT

PERFUME chemists say that few women are aware of the subtle art of using scented scents effectively and economically. So here are some suggestions.

You can be a "one fragrance personality" or you can revel in different blends, though if you stick to one you will be likely to have your entire wardrobe scented with less depletion of the beauty overhead. Light flowery bouquets or spicy blends are best for special occasions and wear. In the evening, a heavier scent is all right. As the scent is carried by the air, use it on surfaces that the air passes through, such as the hem of your frock, the lace at your throat or even your hair.

Concealed fragrance which emerges unexpectedly is effective, so put a few drops in the lining of your purse. Keep often clear the pores of small, your precious liquid in an atomiser and spray the lining of your coat or, hang sachet balls on coat and frock hangers. Spraying of course is the best possible means of conservation.

Toilet water is a diluted form of perfume. The ingredients of toilet water and perfume are the same, except that toilet water has more alcohol than essential oils and is therefore much lighter, more volatile. The function of the water is to lightly perfume the body after bathing or to be sprayed on furs and lingerie.

Cologne is a product in itself, a formula of the essences of fruits and vegetables, particularly the citrus fruit bergamot. It should not be used on clothes, fur or handkerchiefs. A tiny quantity poured over a moist cloth and passed lightly over the skin, will often clear the pores of small, your precious liquid in an atomiser and spray the lining of your coat or, hang sachet balls on coat and frock hangers. Spraying of course is the best possible means of conservation.

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Treating Patient Of Sprue

By HERMAN N. BUNDESEN

AS long ago as 1880, physicians were familiar with a disease known as sprue, then thought to affect only people living in tropical countries. Today, we realise that this disorder is much more frequent in temperate climates than was formerly believed. When it occurs in babies, as it often does, it is known as Celiac disease.

Diarrhoea, with the presence of a great deal of digested fat in the bowel movements, is one of the first symptoms of sprue. In addition, there is anaemia or lessening of the amount of colouring in the blood, inflammation of the mouth and tongue, and swelling of the tissues, particularly the legs. Later on there is some damage to the spinal cord, together with symptoms indicating a deficiency of vitamins A, D, and K, and those of the B-complex. Naturally, loss of weight and strength is marked.

Absorbing Fat

Apparently, in its beginning, sprue is the result of a disturbance in the body's ability to absorb and use fat and the essential products which come from its digestion. There also appears to be a faulty absorption of the factor which prevents pernicious anaemia. This, together with the resulting vitamin deficiencies, accounts for most of the symptoms seen in sprue.

Liver extract has been found curative in sprue because it contains the factor which is necessary for the absorption and use of the fatty substances, as well as the substances which prevent pernicious anaemia, and other factors which we suspect may be missing in cases of sprue.

Cases of pernicious anaemia are benefited by what is known as folic acid, a part of the vitamin B-complex. Folic acid also has a helpful effect on some of the symptoms of sprue, but it is not the factor which regulates fat absorption.

Various Diets

Sprue has also been treated by various types of diet, such as the fruit, milk, and meat diets. These give good results because they contain relatively large amounts of the anti-sprue factor, and because they stop fermentation and improve the action of the bowel, thus aiding in better absorption of the anti-sprue factor.

In any event, a great deal has been learned about sprue and, with the proper treatment, it can be rapidly overcome.

THE NOVEL COSMETIC HANDBAG

Vienna. Viennese handbag producers have come in with something new—novelty handbags of engraved silver with lipstick container built into the frame fastener. Some models also have a small compact case attached to the frame, the engraved or flange silver lid of the case making an attractive decoration of the bag. Other frames have flange work and are inset with semi-precious jewels, maracite, pearls, corals. Aquamarines are now popular and, tortoise is often used in rather wide sections.

Lipstick containers, powder boxes or other small items are clad in suede or petit point embroidery. Patent is pending for the novelty frame with lipstick and powder box. Another new model has an elaborately worked fastener of the same length as the actual frame.

Powder-box maker has good looking powder and cigarette boxes plotted on a metal ground moulded by a patented process, applied motifs hand-carved or ivory or a composition resembling various stones. Some of the boxes show delicate hand painting. Bag frames with carved animals or clasps are another production.

Linen, straw and wooden bags are in fashion at Kansas. Best liked are the ones with snap-on removable covers. The body of the bag is usually a deep coloured linen with a removable second centre section of white linen. A hand-pouch silhouette is a favourite style. Leading colours in these linens are green, blue, brown, natural and wheat.

A third covered bag here is a box style of natural bamboo. It has a woven cotton cord handle and is lined with linen. There is a natural linen straw bag that is a hot favourite. It is a rather tall box style with self straw handle.

DOUBLE USE



This imaginative bustle-cape was modelled in London. The slim, side-slit grey flannel skirt sports a matching accessory that becomes a perky bustle when tied about the waist, a brief cape when draped about the shoulders. A softly-tailored white crepe blouse completes either outfit.

Give Up Your Seat For A Man—Would You?

By PATRICIA CLARY

HOLLYWOOD women are getting a good laugh over Dr. Morris Fishbein's statement that women should give up their seats on trains so men can sit longer. A California man is healthy enough to stand up by himself, and no California woman wants a man who isn't.

Chicago girls can keep Dr. Fishbein. You can keep him as long as you want to stand up and give him your seat.

The doctor, editor of the Journal of the American Medical Association and considered the spokesman for the AMA, claims women are biologically more durable than men. Consequently, they have to help the poor dears to keep them living long enough to support them.

Film director Lloyd Bacon, whose hobby is making movies, took out a camera to record how this theory goes over with Hollywood women. It fell flat.

Men should live longer, one lady told Bacon.

Older Women Opposed
"And the best way for them to live longer," she added, "is not to come around expecting

Let's Eat BY IDA BAILEY ALLEN

Cool Asparagus For Summer

WE have so much respect for vegetables in France that we often serve them as a separate course," observed the Chef. "I think it would be a good idea to serve this excellent thinned asparagus with importance."

"I agree with that idea. Let's start it as the opening course of our dinner."

"Shall I serve asparagus with sauce Hollandaise? Or shall I cover the stalks with grated Parmesan cheese and run them under the broiler?"

"Asparagus served with either method is delicious, Chef. But those long stalks are hard to eat. And while it's permissible to pick them up with the fingers, very few persons like to do it. So they eat the tender tips with a fork and often leave the rest of the stalks on the plate. As to little children, or very old people, they can't manage the whole stalks at all. I'd suggest cutting the asparagus in inch lengths, saving out the tips. Then it can be boiled; the tips are put in the last 5 minutes so they will not over-cook, and the asparagus can be served on buttered toast with a pretty garnish."

"I would suggest to top the asparagus with hard-cooked egg yolks put through a sieve, in the American style called 'goldenrod,'" said the Chef. "And the toast underneath can be moistened with asparagus liquid so it will be easy to cut and eat."

"How are you planning to cook those shoulder lamb chops, Chef?"

"Young Carrots."

"I shall braise-bake them in the oven, while the Idaho potatoes are baking. And I shall also braise-bake those fine young carrots in combination with tinned tomato. Lamb is a bland meat that it needs something definite like tomato to make a nice flavour combination."

"For dessert let's have banana cream tarts. And for a change I'd like them made with nut pastry. To save time we can make the cream filling with a prepared dessert, and to keep the sliced bananas on top from discolouring, we'll coat them with a little melted lemon juice."

"More and more I am convinced that our menus should be quick and easy to prepare. Saving time is important, every homemaker. If the family is large, cooking the meals can be a big chore. For young mothers with two or three small children, every second counts. And that hour before dinner-time must include far more than merely preparing chops for broiling, dust with a little crushed dried mint for good flavour."

Trick Of The Chef
After broiling the lamb chops for browning, dust with a little crushed dried mint for good flavour.

Banana Nut Tarts
Bake nut pastry tart shells. Then for filling make up prepared vanilla dessert, according to directions on the pkg., but with the addition of ¼ c. cream or undiluted evaporated milk to give a creamy consistency. Chill, and half fill tart shells. Just before serving top with thin sliced bananas coated with be a big chore. For young mothers with two or three small children, every second counts. And that hour before dinner-time must include far more than merely preparing chops for broiling, dust with a little crushed dried mint for good flavour."

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NEWS OF THE DAY IN PICTURES



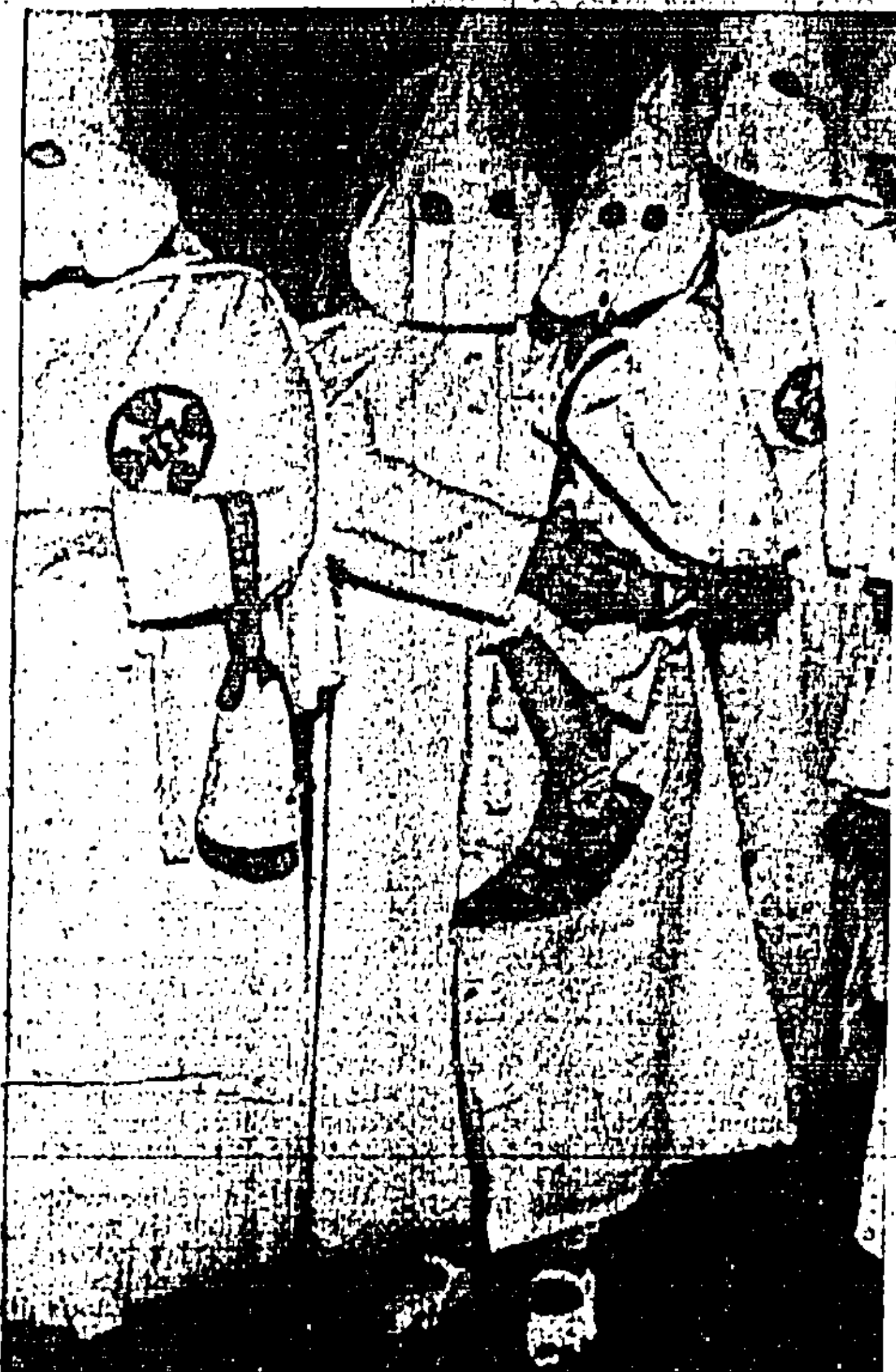
THEY WEREN'T LISTED—Although the passenger list of the liner DeGrasse, which arrived in New York, included diplomats and government officials, these two wire-haired fox terriers were unlisted. But that doesn't spoil their greetings.



GOING HOME—Two and-a-half-year-old Lawrence Stewart Edwards takes over the job of leading the way home after State Guard Charles Ellis, found the boy in a briar patch, several miles from his home. The child's parents, Mr and Mrs Lawrence Edwards, left, had been anxiously awaiting their son after disappearing from home in Camden, South Carolina.



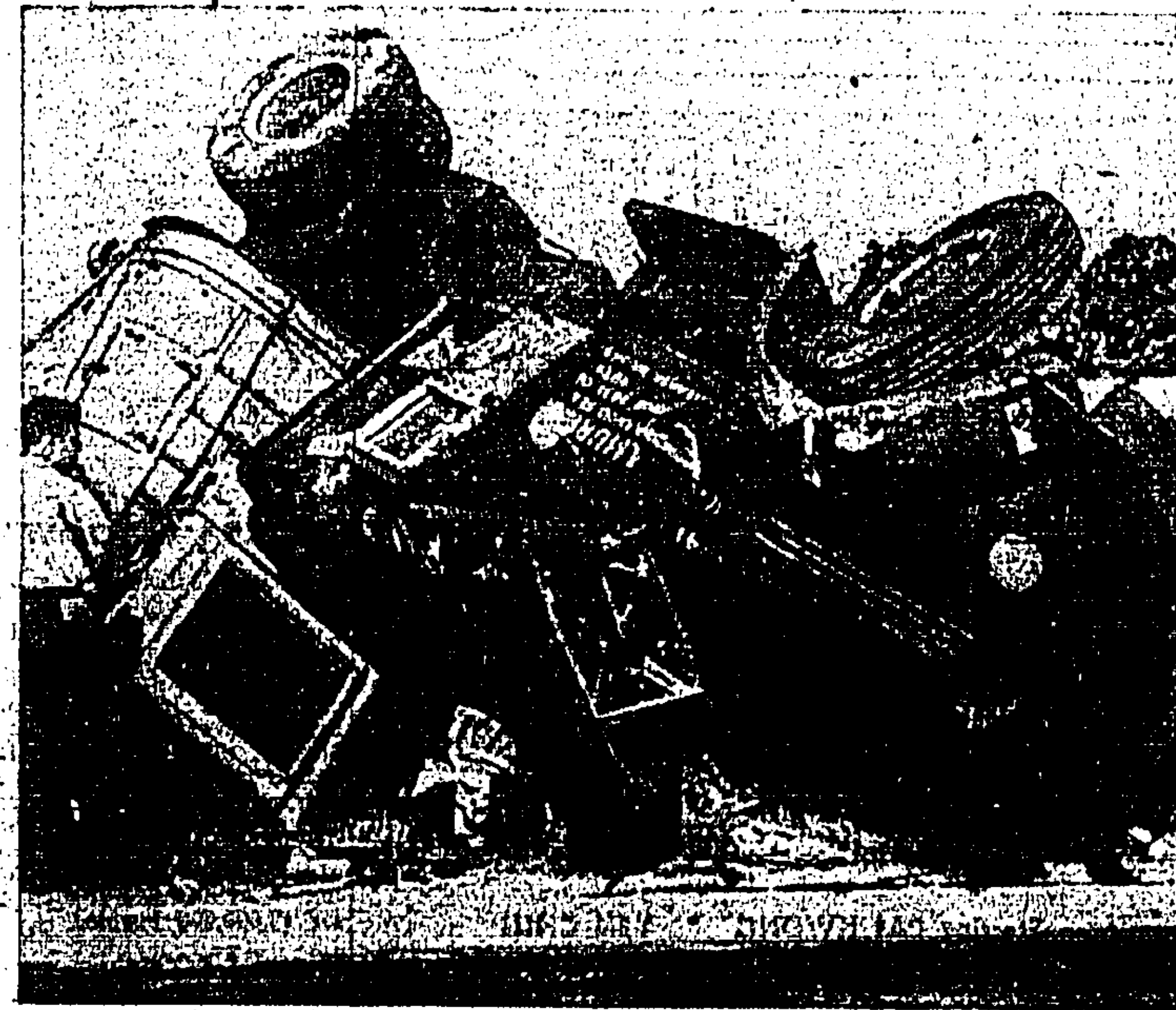
LOOKING FOR VICTIMS—A Bellevue Hospital disaster unit searches for the injured in the reinforcing rods of a building which collapsed in New York. The flooring of the three-storey building gave way unexpectedly and 20 workmen were hurt in the fall.



LADIES' NIGHT—At an initiation ceremony of the Ku Klux Klan, held near Stone Mountain, Georgia, a mama klanswoman holds her child. Several women attended the junior initiation.



AN EMBARRASSMENT OF RICHES—These two little girls are crossing their fingers to retain their good luck. They are Leona Wasy, left, and Dorothy Wagner, both of New York, who found \$550 in a tin while playing near their homes. Leona now wants to buy her family a chicken farm, but Dorothy says she'll settle for a new television set and a car.



DIDN'T TURN OUT TOO BADLY—Spectators gather around the wreck of a 14-wheel tractor-trailer which overturned at Griffin, Georgia. The heavy vehicle was driven by H. L. Britt, of Orlando, Florida, and was loaded with 1,800 cases of frozen orange concentrate. Britt's helper was slightly hurt.



DESTINATION UNKNOWN—Little Richard Roddy signals for a left turn from his giant turtle at the Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, Zoo. But Arlene Goldstein seems to be riding him, sidesaddle and may wind up elsewhere. The amphibians tip the scales at 250 pounds each.



PREHISTORIC DISPLAY—The face, trunk and part of the leg of a baby mammoth are displayed by the American Museum of Natural History, in New York. After being frozen for more than 15,000 years, the parts were found in the silt of the Yukon River Valley, at Fairbanks, Alaska, and flown to the museum.



TAKE A-LOOK—There are many reasons why lovely Ava Gardner has become a popular star in Hollywood. But you can see some of the reasons for yourself.



FLY-BY-NIGHT BIRD—Leo Weltzin, a construction carpenter in Chicago, Illinois, was very happy when Cleo perched on his shoulder while at work. Cleo came home and became one of the family. But the pigeon has disappeared, and now the 55-year-old carpenter is carrying the torch for Cleo.

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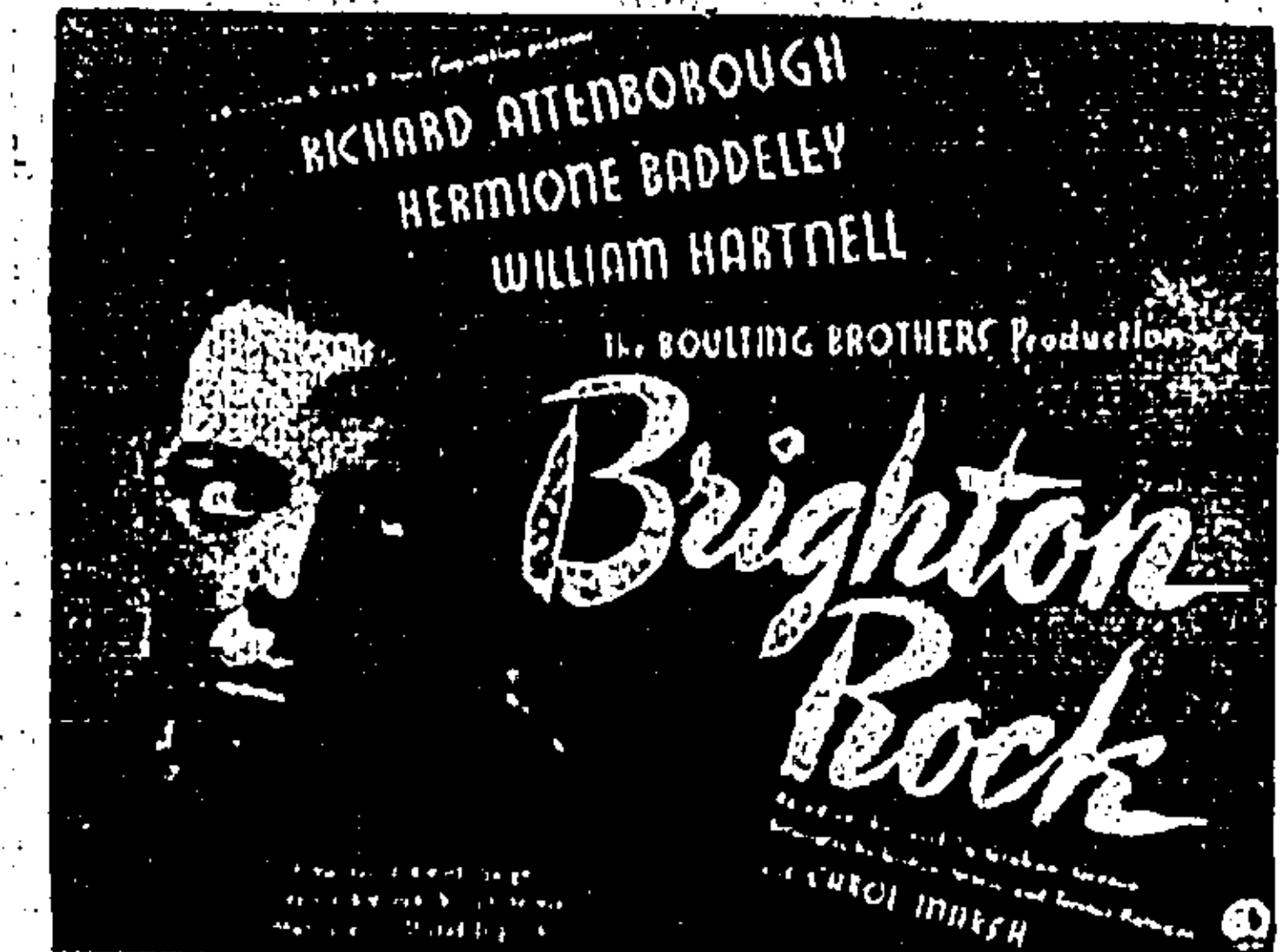
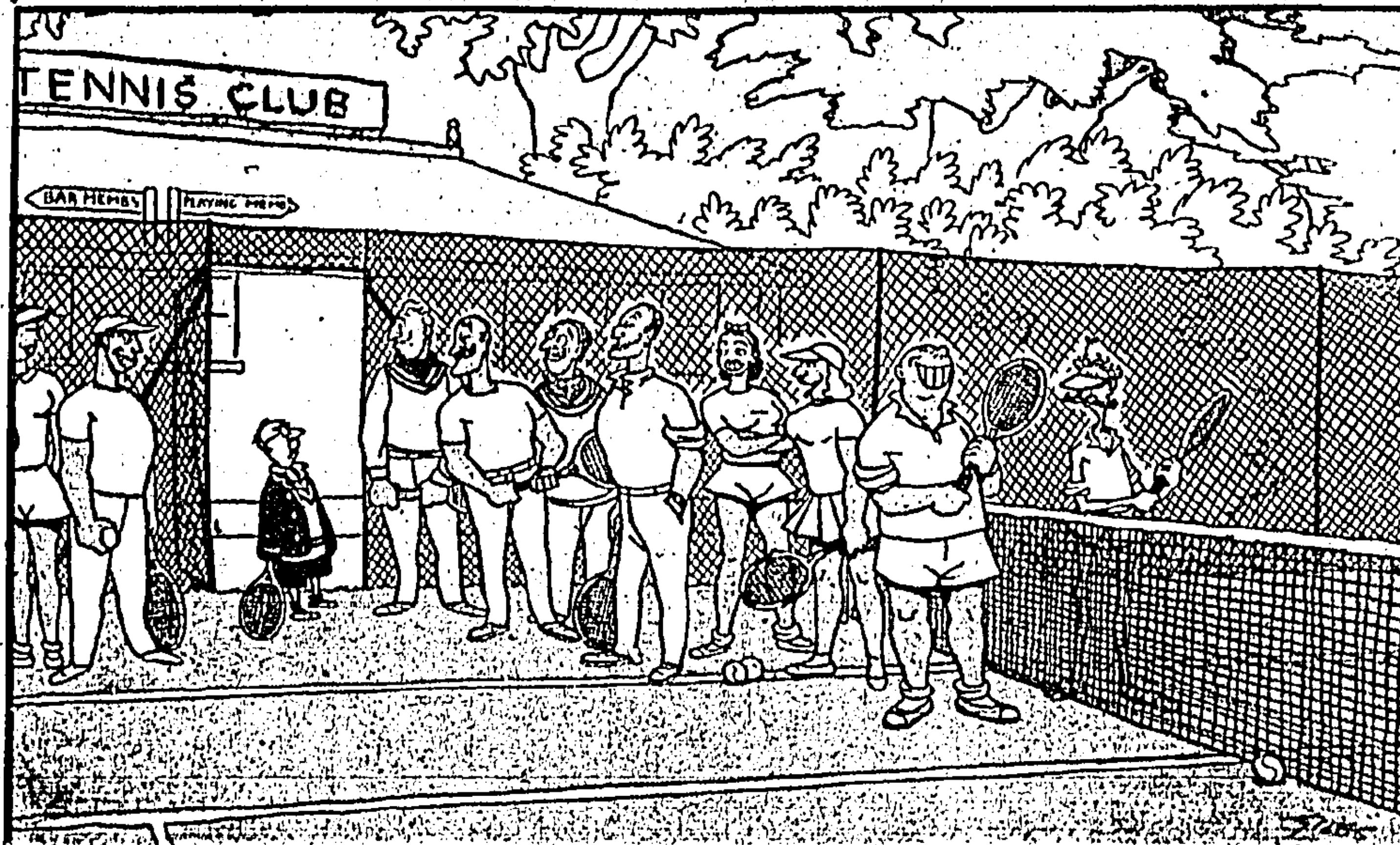
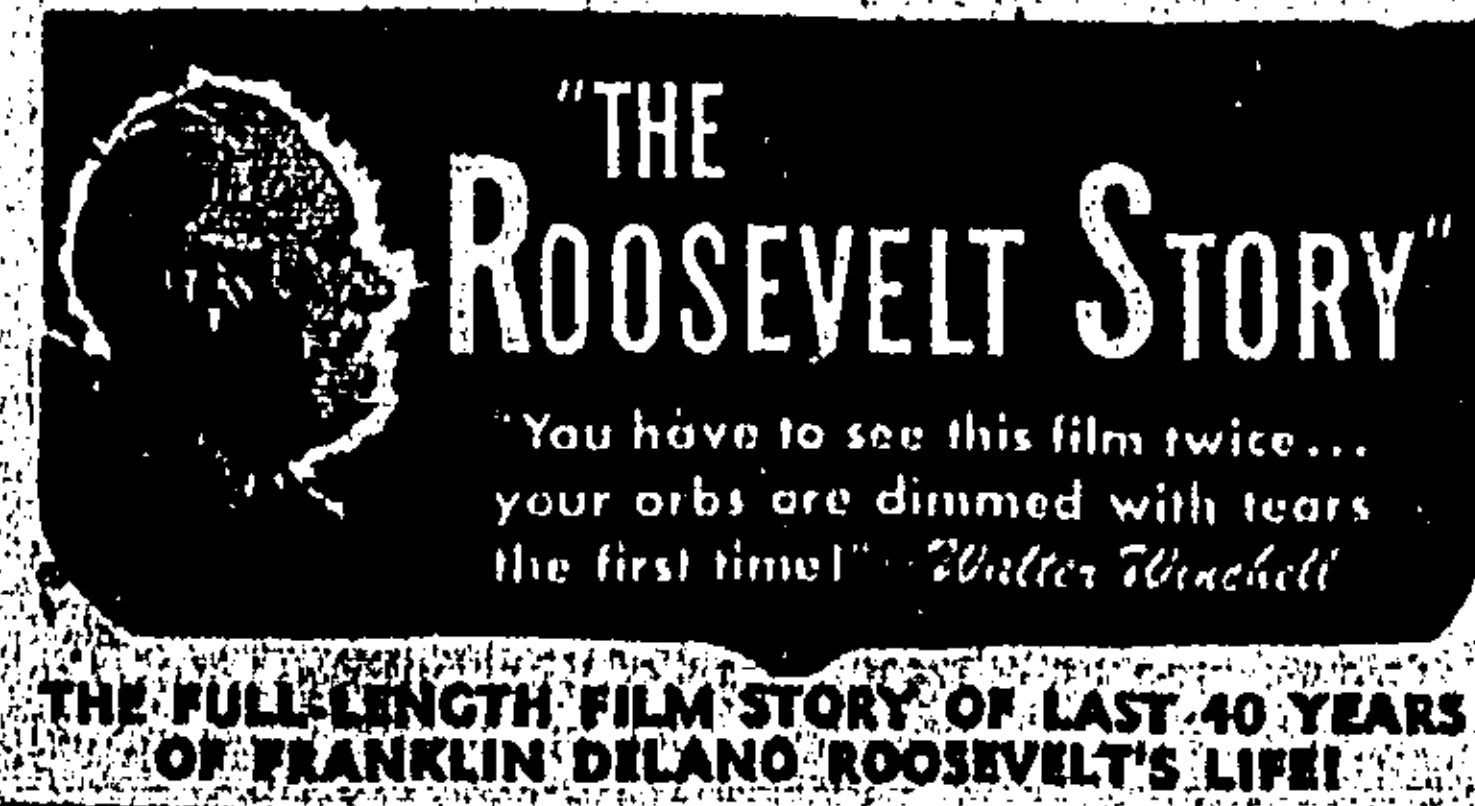
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NEWS FROM HOME

THEY SIGNED ON:

DURING 1948, 4,380 other ranks completed their original period of colour service and 1,404 extended their service to complete 12 years colour service. Mr Michael Stewart, Under-Secretary for War, told the Commons in reply to a question. In the same year, 508 other ranks completed 12 years' colour service and 2,230 re-engaged to complete 22 years' service. Answering another question about compensation for the loss of effects in Burma by officers and men of the regular army Mr Stewart said this has not been limited to those serving overseas on September 2, 1939. In the case of those who proceeded overseas during the war compensation has, however, been limited to the clothing, kit and equipment appropriate to active service.

"LITTLE MAN'S LAW":

RECRUITMENT of solicitors for the "Little Man's Law Charter"—the Legal Aid and Advice Bill—has begun. Posts carrying maximum salaries of £1,000 and £1,400 a year are being advertised by the Law Society. The Bill, which is expected to become law this summer, seeks to give a comprehensive scheme for free or assisted legal aid and advice to persons of limited means. It is estimated that it will make justice easier for 12,000,000 people.

A NEW ROSE:

"SYMPHONY" is the name of a new rose produced by the Ruddington nurseries, which won the gold medal award at the recent National Rose Society's show. It is rose pink and veined with several deeper colourings.

TONIC FOR THE TIMES:

In their annual pilgrimage to the Guild of Cordwainers (shoemakers), at Brecon, South Wales, leading members of the trade undertook vows to engage in "faithful dealing" and affirmed their master Cordwainer's tenet that they should not profit by another's loss but should gain at the same time their own living and their neighbour's goodwill.

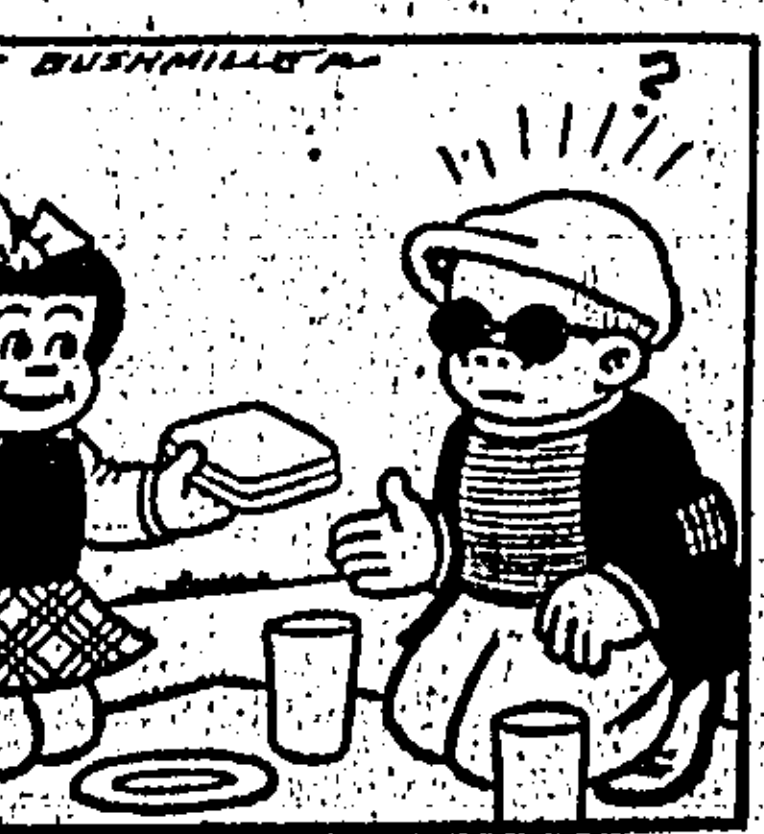
PUBLIC BURDEN:

DR J. L. Burn, Salford's M.O. has told the Women Public Health Officers' summer school at Cambridge that it could cost more to keep a child in an approved school than to send a boy to Eton. Recently it was found that several "problem families" were costing the community more than £1,000 a year.

HOT HOOTER:

JOHN Evans, Welsh farmer of Cilgwyn Mawr, was roused from his sleep by the sound of his car hooter in the garage. The car was on fire and the heat set off the hooter. He saved the garage, but not the car.

NANCY Shady Deal

**THE POOLS: A CASE FOR PROBING**

by . . . JOHN GORDON

THE impertinent attempt of the football pool promoters to scare the Government off touching their money has failed. That is a wholesome thing. It would be good and proper if the Government in turn now did a little serious probing into the business of these pools.

They have become—so their owners declared recently—the seventh biggest industry in Britain. Some may consider that a pretty shocking reflection on the nation's moral condition, but let us put the moral issue on one side.

Protection for 'suckers'

IF ten million people get a little pleasure out of being "suckers" I have no wish to deprive them of it. In the kind of free world I like the fool is entitled to his folly just as much as the man who thinks himself wise is entitled to what he considers to be his wisdom. Very often I find it a little difficult to distinguish between the two. But even the gullible "sucker" is entitled to some protection. I think it can be argued that, if he is prepared to be "taken for a ride," he should be given some protection against the ride being too long or too rough.

In the case of the football pools there is a growing feeling that much too little is known about their workings. An industry which claims to be the seventh biggest in Britain is very big business indeed.

All receipts on record

NOW, it would be a sound principle if this class of big business did not conduct so much of its business behind a veil of secrecy.

The details of its finances ought always to be open to the closest inspection. Every shilling that passes into its coffers and out of them should be recorded in audited statements available for public inspection. The searchlight of scrutiny should light up all the dark places. It is not enough to know that so many prizes, large or small, have been distributed every week.

Those who contribute to these prizes should be able to ascertain what proportion the prizes bear to the total sums put into the pool, what it costs to operate the pool, how the expense money was spent, and what profits went into the bank accounts of the pool's owners.

Little known

How much information of that sort is available today? I regret to say, very little. Indeed, you cannot find the answer to a single one of these questions from the meagre information about themselves that the pools make public.

That is an unsatisfactory state of affairs. It is against the public interest.

The pools may be completely beyond criticism in their workings, but where there is secrecy there will be suspicion. I think it is time we swept away both the secrecy and the suspicion.

Classed as credit betting

WHAT difference is there between the methods of pools business and the methods of ordinary business? The recent report of the Church Committee on Gambling made that very clear. It inspected other businesses which are collectors and users of money entrusted to them—building societies, banks, and insurance companies.

They must operate under strict rules imposed in the public interest. One of the most important rules is that their accounts must be properly audited and published.

The accounts of the pools are neither audited nor made public in the same way. They do not come under the normal regulations imposed on companies handling other people's money because they are classed as credit betting.

It is true that the accountants of the pool issues what is called a "certificate" weekly. That certificate is not based upon a properly audited balance-sheet. As the gambling report puts it:—

"The certificate merely assures a gullible public that the pool has been operated according to the promoter's self-made 'rules' that the winnings have been paid out according to the promoter's self-made 'rules', and that he has not forgotten to secure his clear 5 per cent. commission according to his self-made 'rules'."

"By these same 'rules' his commission does not include the item of expenses; that elastic item is a separate charge that for practical purposes is almost unlimited."

Some tidy fortunes

THIS much can certainly be said about the pools and it is about all that can be said with certainty—they have provided a relatively small number of investors with tidy little fortunes; they have provided thousands more with smaller prizes which encourage them to keep on contributing in the hope of doing better one day; and they have made a small group of promoters—probably no more than half a dozen very rich men in a fantastically short space of years.

Some of them, in fact, are reputed to be among the richest men in the country today.

It is beyond argument or question that a business of such dimensions ought to be subject to very strict control.

At the very least it should operate under regulations as strict as the regulations governing ordinary commercial business handling vast sums of other people's money.

The matter of expenses permitted to the pools under the taxation system also calls for the Chancellor's close and earnest study.

The publicly campaigns, the extremely high commissions paid to agents, and the general lavishness of all the propaganda machinery by which the gullible are persuaded to remain forever gullible appear at times to be on such a scale as would not be permitted in any other form of business.

There are allegations that some of that expensive and propaganda money is spent on very questionable forms of activity. It was said in Parliament last week that journalists had been paid to insert the names of pools in what they wrote for the newspapers which employ them.

That echoes a whisper which has gone around the newspaper industry for quite a while.

Craze for permutation

SOME time ago most persuasive and skilful publicity was used to start a craze for permutation—a system by which the gullible are encouraged to increase the amount of their weekly stake to the benefit of the pool promoter. It was stated in Parliament that journalists had been approached with a view to plugging permutation systems and certain pools, and that they

Could Birmingham Be Another Hiroshima?

The Wardens Go To School

By J. W. TAYLOR

THE Civil Defence School at Fallowfield, Gloucester, the first of its kind in Britain, has just been opened. Here, in the pleasantly wooded grounds of an eighteenth-century mansion, deep in the English countryside, trained air-raid wardens are introduced to Britain's anti-atomic warfare measures—how to locate radio-active substances on a mock atomic bomb site, learn of the effects of the deadly gamma rays, and see radio-active "victims" being decontaminated with secret equipment.

They are given facts about atomic warfare as applied, say, to Birmingham and the Midlands. Though Gamma rays released from a bomb exploding over Birmingham would prove fatal to exposed persons living within a one-mile radius of the explosion, they are told that the city's built-up area of brick buildings would give far more protection from deadly atomic rays than the flimsily-constructed houses in the Far East.

Further, the human body can be protected from the rays at a depth of approximately ten feet below the earth's surface, and persons contaminated by the rays can easily be cleansed by scrubbing with household soap and water, but under the strictest medical supervision.

THE atom-bomb dropped on Hiroshima killed 79,000 people of a total population of 340,000—a bomb dropped in the centre of Birmingham would kill 20,000 of its 1,078,230 inhabitants, it is estimated.

Instruction is also given in the elements of protection against high explosive bombs, fire-fighting, biological warfare and gas warfare.

The school has been altered as a result of wartime experience and will in future deal with two types of course—general training and rescue training. For the latter there is an elaborate rescue training ground containing ninety different rescue "incidents."

There is a specially constructed blitzed village to give wardens realistic experience of war-time conditions. Live "victims" pose 30 ft high on scaffolds and others are buried to a depth of 10 ft beneath rubble.

Personnel operating the radio-active test instruments are completely covered in rubber or canvas clothing as a precaution against radio-active dust.

THE college was first opened in 1939 as an anti-gas training centre. During the war nearly 15,000 wardens received instructions there.

Since then the syllabus has been extended to deal with conditions likely to be met in a future conflict.

For demonstration purposes lecturers hide dangerous radio-active substances beneath piles of rubble in the model "blitzed" town and wardens locate them with portable monitoring instruments which crackle loudly when the rays are found.

Recently a visitor walked into a decontamination room and a detector started crackling. An instructor identified radio-active activity on the luminous dial of the visitor's wrist-watch, which was duly treated.

A similar training school at Easingwold, Yorkshire, is to be opened soon.

C.V.R. Thompson Reports The American Scene

New York.

NOT even all the labour-saving devices America has invented have removed the danger of husband and wife quarrels over who will "do the dishes."

After their marriage last spring Stephen Etlinger, 48, one of America's best-known landscape artists, and his 24-year-old wife Jane, a former airline stewardess, decided to avoid these quarrels.

They installed in their home at South Harpswell, Maine, the most modern kitchen they could buy. And their prize catch was an automatic dishwasher.

All they had to do was to pile the dinner dishes into the cabinet and flick a switch. But at the end of one of their best parties—the poet Tristram Coffin was their star guest—Mr and Mrs Etlinger had a quarrel.

It was so violent that, according to the police, Mrs Etlinger ran upstairs, grabbed a revolver, and tried to shoot herself.

She is now in hospital with serious wounds in her temple. And starting point of the quarrel was an argument between husband and wife over which of them should get up, go into the kitchen, and flick the dishwasher's switch.

LITERATURE: A book by J. Sheldon Barkan, called "How to be a Successful Criminal" is headed for the best-seller list. Its advice: "Cultivate a quiet manner. Have patience. Plan carefully. Think big. Act big." But author Barkan has practised what he preached. And now he is in jail.

IN THE SHOPS: A "bomb" costing 10s., which sprays wax over an entire car (American size) in five minutes; a tin which, when shaken and turned upside down, pours out a ribbon of fresh whipped cream—price 2s. 6d. a quart.

By Ernie Bushmiller



Acheson Opposes Cut In Arms For Europe Plan

DEBATE ON ATLANTIC PACT CONTINUES

Washington, July 13.—Mr Dean Acheson, the U.S. Secretary of State, today opposed any proposal to cut down the Administration's \$1,450 million military aid programme to back up the North Atlantic Pact.

Speaking at a press conference, he rejected suggestions made in Congress that the North Atlantic Pact necessarily committed the United States for 10 years or more to arming the Western European nations.

The North Atlantic Pact is already being debated in the Senate. Congress is expected to take up the military aid programme later.

Mr Acheson said that the Administration hoped to convince Congress that the military aid programme had been

brought down to a minimum as a result of the many investigations made by the Administration.

He said that there were no "implied" commitments in the North Atlantic Treaty and all the commitments had been expressed in clear and precise language.

Meanwhile, in the Senate today, the debate on the ratification of the North Atlantic Pact continued for the third day with a warning from a Republican Senator that refusal to ratify the Pact would "help the Communist dictatorship."

Senator Robert C. Hendrickson called for unqualified ratification and said that the Treaty would help the United States "at less cost and danger than any alternative that I know of to gain the time we need."

MORTGAGE DEEDS DISPUTE

Judgment Given For Respondent

Judgment for respondent was delivered by the Chief Justice, Sir Leslie Gibson, in the Full Court of Appeal this morning in the appeal against a judgment of the late Sir Athol MacGregor, former Chief Justice of Hongkong, which was given on December 10, 1940.

In his judgment, Sir Athol, finding in favour of the present respondents, held that two purported mortgages, amounting to \$60,000, of No. 300 Des Voeux Road Central, held by the appellant in the appeal were forgeries and that they were null and void and of no effect. Appellant was found to have had no right to the property and rectification of the Land Office register was ordered.

The Full Court of Appeal comprised the Chief Justice, the Senior Puisne Judge (Mr Justice E.H. Williams) and the Acting Puisne Judge (Mr Justice A.D. Scholes).

The appellant was Fung Kien, of 141 Caine Road, and he was represented by Mr H. G. Sheldon, K. C. and Mr D. A. J. Wright on the instructions of the Hon. M. M. Watson of Johnson, Stokes and Master. Mr Eldon Potter, K. C. and the Hon. Leo d'Almeida, K. C. instructed by Mr L. L. Strellett, of Bratton and Company, appeared for respondents, Chan Fui-hing and Chan Sik-tin, of No. 3 Bonham Road, and Chan Kwok-nim of No. 300 Des Voeux Road, Central. The three respondents were tenants in common of No. 300 Des Voeux Road, Central.

It was stated in the course of the hearing that first and third respondents had since died.

Economic Talks

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Mr Nash responded to the British Prime Minister's welcome on behalf of his Commonwealth colleagues.

South African sources said today that the Union was approaching the conference with a desire to impress on Britain that if she is to recapture South African markets and reduce import cuts to a minimum, the Union must be provided with the wherewithal to buy more United Kingdom and United States goods.

The South African delegation, it is understood, will impress on the conference that there is plenty of scope for increased British imports and capital investment in South Africa. South Africa, it was believed, would also say that she would welcome British and American capital investment in mining and secondary industries.—Reuter.

Jennifer Jones Weds Producer

Portofino, Italy, July 13.—The Mayor of Portofino announced that actress Jennifer Jones and film director David Selznick were married aboard the yacht *Manana* today.

The marriage took place aboard the yacht between Portofino and Paraggi, a tiny cluster of villas a few miles south of Portofino, the Mayor said.

After the ceremony, the couple left for Rapallo, where Rudy Cressel, an Italian millionaire, will give a reception for them.—Associated Press.

Politburo's Choice Of New Premier For Bulgaria

London, July 13.—Reliable reports reaching London from Sofia today suggested that the Soviet Politburo had "advised" the Bulgarian Communist Party that it wanted Valco Chervenkov to succeed the late Georgi Dimitroff as Bulgarian Premier. Chervenkov, Dimitroff's brother-in-law, is 49.

According to the Sofia reports, he will probably get the job, ending the squabble among Bulgarian Communists as to who would succeed the Bulgarian Party leader Dimitroff, who died in Moscow early this month after a long illness.

Sofia reports said the Soviet Politburo had intervened directly in the intra-Bulgarian quarrel and advised the Central Committee of the Bulgarian Communist Party that the Kremlin viewed Chervenkov as the most suitable candidate.

His opponents accuse him of having married Dimitroff's sister—who is ten years younger than himself—exclusively to further his own political advancement.

It was regarded as probable that the Soviet leader, Josef Stalin, personally communicated the Kremlin's choice to the three Bulgarian Communists who went to Moscow to get the remains of Dimitroff.—United Press.

US Treaty With Italy

Washington, July 13.—The Secretary of State, Mr Dean Acheson, said at a press conference today that he expected the treaty of friendship, commerce and navigation with Italy to enter into force within a few days.

He said that it would contribute to closer relations between Italy and the United States.

He also said the United States still favoured the return of Trieste to Italy. This was in reply to a question by a reporter as to the United States' attitude following the Yugoslav submission of the Trieste area.

Mr Acheson said the United States' attitude had not changed since the three-power declaration of March 20, which was to the effect that the United States, Britain and France favoured the return of Trieste to Italy.—United Press.

BIG GOLD HAUL

Gold weighing a total of 616.31 ozs was found concealed in the packing of a refrigerator being loaded on to the President Cleveland, which arrived at Kowloon Wharf several days ago.

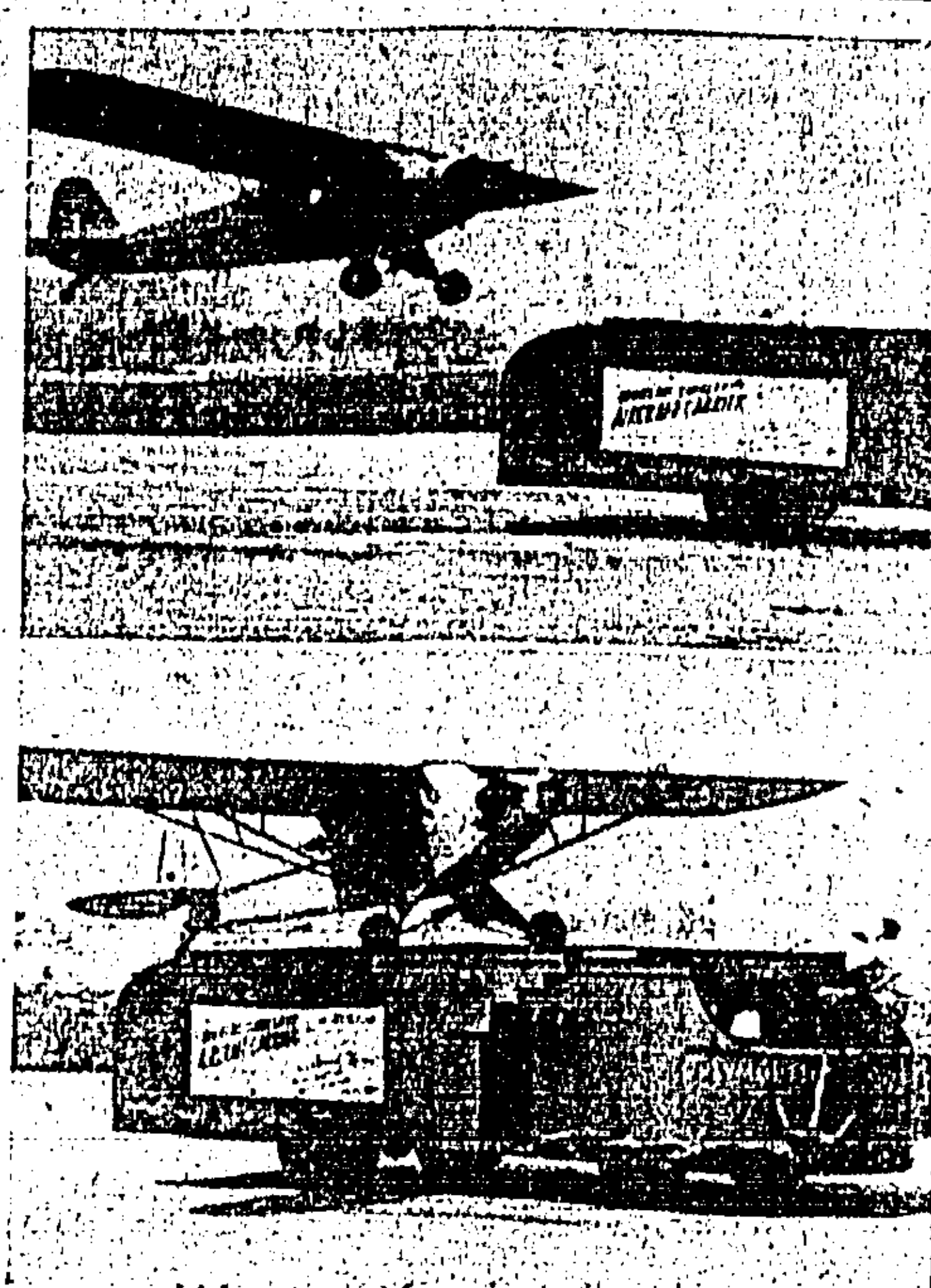
The gold consisted of 22 bars, equivalent to 203.80 ozs, six ingots, weighing 283.04 ozs, and three small slabs, weighing 129.31 ozs. It was packed in a tin and concealed in a cover over the refrigerator door.

There was no claimant for the refrigerator, and at Kowloon Court this morning both the gold and the refrigerator were confiscated by Mr Wicks.

SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith



"My wife is always threatening to refurnish the house, but I tell her I don't want my home to look just like this store!"



Lt. Comdr. Richard Schram, a United States Naval Reserve pilot, prepares to come in for a landing on a 17-foot deck built on top of a truck at Northern Island, Chicago. The plane settles down (lower photo), brakes, and holds its position as the truck comes to a halt. The plane also takes off from the midjet deck. The stunt was a rehearsal for an air show at the US Naval Station in Glenview, Illinois.—AP Picture.

JAPAN "MUST PAY IN FULL," SAYS ROMULO

Another Attack On US Reparations Policy

Washington, July 13.—The Philippine Government today demanded that Japan "pay in full" for war damages in the Philippines.

The Philippine delegate to the Far Eastern Commission, Mr Carlos Romulo, continued his attack on the American policy on Japanese reparations, declaring that his Government could never accept the American proposal that the defeated enemy be relieved of any further reparations.

Mr Romulo told the FEC that if the United States wanted to relinquish its share of Japanese reparations, "nobody can stop her."

The United States could be as magnanimous towards Japan as she pleased.

"She (the US) has reasons of her own for choosing such a course. But the Philippines is not so fortunate. With the best will in the world, we must confess that we have not the means to match America's unprecedented gesture of renunciation."

Mr Romulo said it would be "patent distortion" of the Potsdam declaration to assume that Japanese industrial recovery should have "priority over reparations."

He reiterated that the US had assumed a "moral trust" under the Philippines Rehabilitation Act of Congress, to see that the Philippines received full compensation for the damage wrought by the Japanese during the war.

He cited a statement by the former US High Commissioner, Mr Paul McNutt, that the rehabilitation act contained a "promise" to provide for full reparation, provided sufficient reparations and indemnity could be obtained from the Japanese government and people.

Mr Romulo charged that the United States, in its concern for the welfare of the Japanese, was neglecting its former allies. He said the United States would do better to consider Japanese questions "within the total framework of reviving Far Eastern economy."

"Many of the Allies are not themselves self-supporting and the consequent menace to their internal order and democratic institutions is fully as grave as that which is said to confront Japan."

"Is it demanded that victims of Japanese aggression, if confronted by the choice of their own self-sufficiency and the self-sufficiency of Japan, should nobly renounce their interests for the sake of Japan?"

"Any attempt to develop the Japanese economy independently of the countries of Southeast Asia would be shortsighted and unwise, and the Philippines for one is determined not to revert to its pre-war position, with all its attendant risks, as a mere supplier of raw material to Japan and a dumping ground for its cheap manufactured products."

"If this aspiration is unreasonable, we would like to know why."

SOVEREIGN RIGHT
Mr Romulo asked the United States to "define in clear terms

ECA Cut Will Not Impede Progress

Report By Senate Committee

Washington, July 13.—The Senate Appropriations Committee report which will accompany the ECA appropriations bill said: "It is not believed the reduction made in the foreign spending programme will in any wise ever impede continued progress of the programme or hamper their administration."

The report did not specifically mention the Anglo-American trade agreement, which figured largely in Committee hearings, but had the following to say on the general subject:

"More appropriation of funds, no matter how large, will not assist Europe to full recovery unless the nations of Europe themselves are willing to co-operate economically to the greatest extent possible, first, in elimination of all unnecessary trade barriers and, second, in free exchange of currencies on the basis of their true value."

"Steps taken in the contrary direction will only serve to increase American liability for future appropriations in greater amount and will put recovery further out of possible reach."

"European nations which are recipients of our bounty should take greater pains to solve the twin problems of trade barriers and currency exchange."—United Press.

Britons To Leave Burma Oil Town

Rangoon, July 13.—About 80 British nationals employed at the Central Burma oilfields of Yenangyaung, 360 miles north of Rangoon, will be evacuated shortly to Chaw, another oil town 40 miles further north, the Burma Oil Company announced here tonight.

The Company said it was forced to discontinue reconstruction work at Yenangyaung because of rebel activities.

The evacuation will be carried out by lorries with armed escorts.

British women and children were evacuated from Yenangyaung to Rangoon four months ago when "White Band" members of the People's Volunteer Organisation took control of the town.—Reuter.

Associated Press adds that several million pounds worth of equipment, some of it recently installed, is being abandoned at Yenangyaung.

CHIANG IN CANTON

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an invitation to talks in Manila in the future.

It emphasises the fact that President Rhee of South Korea has asked the United States for military guarantees against invasion of his country from the north makes the Manila talks leading towards a pact military in nature, though they were mainly on economic questions.—Our Own Correspondent.

Boston, July 13.—The Christian Science Monitor, in an editorial, said today: "The Chiang Quirino talks, looking toward an anti-Communist Pacific front invite the good wishes if not the jubilant expectation of Americans. Any degree of understanding between anti-Communist elements in Asia is to be welcomed though it must be carefully evaluated as a bid for American military support."

"The reasons which have urged against America's underwriting of further military misadventures by the Nationalist are unlikely to be altered by any agreement that Chiang may reach with Quirino and Korean President Syngman Rhee."

"Other elements of more importance to a Pacific pact than the Chiang rump regime are a final Dutch-Indonesian agreement, integration of Japan's economic recovery with Asian development as a whole, continental leadership of Premier Jawaharlal Nehru and effective co-operation of India with other members of the Philippines Commonwealth, strengthening of South Korea and the Philippines. As far as American policy can forward those ends, it should bend every effort to do so."—United Press.

Dyke Smashing Charged

San Francisco, July 13.—Radio Peiping alleged tonight that Nationalist troops at Shashi, about 165 miles south-west of Hankow, were destroying dykes along the Chingling River and that they were preventing the carrying out of repairs.

The Radio also reported that flood waters now threaten to inundate four entire counties and sections of two other counties between the Yangtsze River and Hsiang River. This is menacing 2,000,000 inhabitants in the area concerned, the Radio said.—Reuter.

New NT Army Chief Due By Air Tomorrow

Due by air tomorrow from the United Kingdom is Maj. Gen. C. E. Evans, CB, CBE, DSO, the new commander of the Land Forces in the New Territories.

Before the war, Maj. Gen. Evans, then a captain, in the Royal Warwickshire Regiment, was on the GHQ staff in India.

In 1941 he commanded an infantry brigade in the Eritrean campaign. He later fought in Burma, in command of the 7th Indian Division.

After the Japanese surrender he assumed command of the Allied forces in Thailand, and in 1948 became Director of Military Training at the War Office, a post which he has held until now.

Nine Killed In Istria Gun Fight

Rome, July 13.—Nine people were killed in a gun battle between non-Communist elements and Yugoslav police near Castelnuovo, in Istria, the Italian news agency, Ansa, reported today from Trieste.

Five of the dead were police, including a captain of the Yugoslav secret police. Two other four were non-Communist.

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Huge Food Racket In Germany

Frankfurt, July 13.—Some of the "largest and most respectable" welfare agencies operating in Germany were charged today with being involved in a multi-million-dollar racket of smuggling food into Germany.

An official American Military Government report said that these agencies, "through their officials, have conspired to bring in large quantities of food and other goods, and to distribute them to the population, thus creating a huge racket of smuggling food into Germany."

The report did not name any of the organizations involved and Mr John McCarthy, chief of the Customs and Excise, said names would not be made public until the investigation was complete.—United Press.

Death Of Noted Physiologist

Turin, Italy, July 13.—Professor A. Pontecorvo, an internationally known physiologist, died in Turin Clinic today. He went to Argentina before the war to escape Mussolini's anti-Jewish measures.—United Press.

Werewolf Captured

Rome, July 13.—A young Roman "werewolf", whose howling under the moon in the dead of the night sent chills through lovers in warm embrace, has fallen into the hands of the Rome police.

He was captured in the moon-bathed Villa Borghese, an ancient park in the centre of the city, howling from the top of a pine-sloped hillock.

The police sprang from the cover of the ancient ruins as the first eerie howls, of which lovers had complained for nights, echoed through the shadows. They found the youth arms outstretched and howling.

Said he: "I always get restless when the moon is full." He was held for medical examination.—Reuter.

Austrian Treaty

TALKS MAKE PROGRESS

London, July 13.—The Big Four Deputies agreed today on the substance of all but two paragraphs in the key clause of an Austrian Independence pact.

The vital Article 35 of the draft pact sets out the terms of a broadly agreed settlement of Austria for more than a week. The Deputy Foreign Ministers have been trying to set down in strict legalistic treaty terms the principles of an agreement reached in Paris last month by the Foreign Ministers' Council.

They agreed today on two paragraphs of the nine-point article. One concerned a reciprocal waiver by Russia and Austria of claims on each other. The other set a two-month time limit after the coming into force of the pact in which Russia has to turn over to Austria all the former German assets, rights and properties she now claims.

IMPORTANT SECTIONS

But two important sections of the article are to be settled. These concern:

1. Paragraph 6, which sets out the method by which Austria has to pay Russia \$150,000,000 over six years in return for the German assets she is to receive. There are several points of agreement between Russia and the West, but some difficulties have to still be settled.

2. Paragraph 9, which lays down a procedure for settling disputes which may arise between Russia and Austria over their two-way war settlement.

Russia has proposed that if she cannot settle some differences with Austria directly, the two countries should agree to set up a three-man arbitration commission. It would comprise a Russian, an Austrian and a neutral representative who would be chosen by agreement.

AMENDMENT

But the West today opposed this. Samuel Reber, of the United States, backed by his British and French colleagues, counter-suggested that if Russia and Austria fail to agree on the neutral representative, the Secretary General of the U. N. should have the power to name the third member of the projected arbitration commission.

Georgi N. Zarubin, for Russia, said he could not accept the Western amendment. He asserted that Russia in her relations with other powers, seldom, if ever, has had to resort to arbitration because such differences are usually settled amicably.—Associated Press.

MORE BODIES RECOVERED FROM CRASH

Bombay, July 13.—Seven more bodies of those killed in the KLM plane crash on Tuesday were recovered from Ghatkopar jungle by 5 p.m. Indian time today, bringing the total traced to 40.

Hundreds of police combed the underbrush for the remaining five. All luggage has been recovered.

EMERALDS FOUND IN MEWAR

Oxford, July 13.—Dr Darshan Wadia, mining adviser to the Indian Government, told the Empire Mining and Metallurgical Congress at Oxford today that emeralds had been discovered in Mewar State, where gem beryls of beautiful colour were found in 1943.

Emerald crystals, varying from a half to four inches in length, had been extracted. On cutting, they had yielded attractive gems worth about 500,000 rupees.

The use of semi-precious stones for manufacture as watch jewels and aircraft bearings was recommended by the expert.

Sir Lewis Leight, former geological expert, condemning the inadequacy of the British Government's compensation for war-ravaged Malayan industries, said that the chairman of tin companies had been outspoken on the inadequacy of the compensation.

According to a recent statement, claims totalled £170,000,000. The British Government had set a limit of £25,000,000 and proposed a "free grant" of £10,000,000 leaving Malaya to meet the rest with the aid of £10,000,000 of Japanese reparations, if obtainable.

It was thus that Britain proposed to settle her obligations towards a country to which it was bound by treaty and in honour bound to protect and whose inhabitants contributed £20,000,000 to Britain by the end of 1941.

Malaya was left to meet 94 percent of the burden—85 percent if Japanese reparations were secured—while Britain shouldered six percent.—Reuter.

GANDHI AHEAD OF HIS TIME

Paris, July 13.—The Gandhian educationalist, Shriman Narayan Agarwal, told a public meeting here last night that Mahatma Gandhi's ideas were "perhaps a century ahead of our times."

Gandhi's philosophy and activities were not only for India but for the world, he said.

"His ideas regarding economic decentralisation and the political devolution of power in the form of decentralised democracy through village communities deserve scientific study in the Western countries," he added.

"Unless we pay sufficient attention to these principles, science and modern centralised industrialisation will themselves compel the world to resort to a different way of life."

Mr Agarwal, who is Principal of Sankar's Commerce College, Varanasi, earlier addressed the Education Department of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization on Gandhi's scheme of basic education in India.

"It is based on the principle of learning through productive activity," he said.

"The experiment has been a great success," he added.

Mr Agarwal leaves Paris for Switzerland next Sunday.—Reuter.

Lost Suit



Actress Virginia Mayo is helped ashore after she lost her swim suit in the surf at Malibu Beach, California. A wave hit the blonde screen beauty as she frolicked in the surf, and receded with her scanty one-piece suit. Audrey Kirschbaum (right) a friend, was standing near (as luck would have it) and supplied a big bath towel. The third person on the beach was the amateur photographer who made this picture. (AP Picture).

NOAH'S ARK FOUND IN TWO PLACES

Istanbul, July 13.—Two Turks claimed today to have found Noah's Ark—in two different parts of Turkey.

The Ministry of the Interior promised each man 40 percent of whatever money his find produces.

Meanwhile, four Americans reached Ankara today to beg permission to cross military zones to climb Mount Ararat, on the Russo-Turkish frontier, in their search for the Ark.

One Turkish "discoverer" said he found the Ark at a point 12 walking days' distant from Tokat, in North Central Anatolia.

Three quarters of it was buried in the earth, he said, and that part which showed above the surface was covered with trees and foliage.

A thick black substance resembling tar had preserved it, he said.

The second alleged Ark is reported from Mardin, near the Syrian frontier, in Southeast Turkey. Its discoverer said it is in the Judy Mountains, near the triangle where the frontiers of Turkey, Syria and Iraq join.

SMALL CHAPEL

The finder said it was very well preserved and inside were three rooms, in one of which was a small chapel.

The four Americans who arrived in Istanbul two weeks ago by air from America are Dr A. J. Smith, of Greensborough, North Carolina, E. J. Newton, of Colfax, near Winston Salem, North Carolina, Walter I. Wood, Sealife, Long Island, and W. G. G. Knoxville.

They called on the Ambassador, George Wadsworth, to ask for help with their request to the Turkish authorities. But even with his help most observers feel the four will have serious difficulties in obtaining permission to enter the military area more closely guarded than that they would have to cross.

Russia has already described as "spies" persons wanting to climb Ararat, which looks down on Soviet territory.—Associated Press.

ISRAELI ENVOY TO ITALY

Rome, July 13.—Scholmo Glosnar, first Israeli Minister to Italy, today presented his credentials to Italy's President, Signor Luigi Einaudi.

The ceremony took place in the Quirinal Palace, former residence of the Pope and of the Kings of Italy, now the official residence of the President of the Italian Republic.

Mihail Dragomireck, Minister from Rumania, also presented his credentials to the President.

In Tel-Aviv, Nicholas Brodsky and Eduard Gilyon, Yugoslav and French Ministers to Israel, presented their credentials to President Weizmann.—Associated Press.

Serious Blows To Orderly Progress In Occupied Japan

Tokyo, July 13.—The atmosphere of orderly progress, which has made General MacArthur's Japan a postwar "Switzerland" in the East-West cold war, is being lost under the pressure of world economic recession and extremist politics, some American officials privately admit.

U.S. NOT IN DEPRESSION, SAYS TRUMAN

Washington, July 13.—President Truman reported to the people tonight that the United States was "not in a depression" but said there were people who, for political reasons, "would like to have a depression."

President spoke to the nation on four major radio networks and a television hook-up. He said the present situation was the aftermath of the inflationary spirit, which Congress had adopted his anti-inflation programme.

"What we face today is not a depression and, if we follow the right course, it will not become a depression," he said. "It is a people who are saying, 'and saying very loudly, that we are in a depression.' Many of these people, for political reasons, would like to have a depression," he added.

RAIN OR SHINE

President Truman's recommendations were identical with those in his economic report to Congress. He expressed the view that most people who urged drastic cuts in Federal spending were the same people who had opposed social legislation and development of national resources.

"During an inflationary period they are against these programmes because they say they are inflationary. During a deflationary period they are against them because they are deflationary. Rain or shine, they are just against them."

On world affairs, the President said: "I have confidence in our ability to master the international problems which confront us and to achieve world peace and international co-operation."

"I do not believe our defence and international expenditure will have to remain at their present high level indefinitely. I hope they may be reduced as our programme for peace takes effect."

"But as of today, I regard these expenditures as the most valuable insurance we can take against the enormous expense and terrible loss of another war."

COST TO U.S.

Mr Truman said international programmes were costing United States taxpayers this year \$7,000,000,000, and they are worth every penny of it.

"This includes the European recovery programme and our occupation responsibilities. These programmes have kept Western Europe out of the hands of the Communists and are helping to restore the economic and social strength of free nations."

"If we were to cut these programmes, it would weaken our efforts to bring about a peace. That is a risk we must not take."

These two items—occupation and international aid—add up to \$2,000,000,000, more than half the budget. These are expenditures we are making to prevent future wars. If any one thinks I am extravagant in maintaining peace, let him remember I cost not \$2,000,000,000 a year, but \$100,000,000,000 a year to conduct the last war."—United Press.

NEW HOME GADGETS

Atlantic City, July 13.—Work-weary housewives might not feel quite so weary in that they could take a peek at more than 20,000 gadgets and machines on display in Convention Hall here today.

More than 500 exhibitors are showing their latest in home conveniences at the summer trade exhibition of the National Houseware Manufacturers' Association.

Here is a cross section of time and work saving devices. Automatic coffee makes—you plug it in when you go to bed and coffee will be ready to drink in the morning.

Washing water-powered dish washer—the manufacturer says it washes, rinses and dries dishes in five minutes.

A knife blade for kitchen knives guaranteed to retain its edge for three years without resharpening.

Furniture especially designed for television sets. One firm has a television table with a revolving top so the set may be aimed in any direction in the room.

"And for good measure, a lot of new toys for left-handed housewives."—United Press.

General MacArthur, however, continues to voice confidence that the occupation can and is reconstructing a democratic and economically self-sufficient Japan safe from the Communist avalanche rolling across Asia.

Some of the key advisers as well as private observers here concede, however, that the virtual disappearance of middle-of-the-road political parties, the growing suzerainty of openly anti-occupation Communists, suppressive measures proposed by the conservative Yoshida government and slow progress of industrial and "trade recovery," have dealt serious blows to hopes for a healthy new Japan.

The decline in world business activity has come just at a time when Japan needs greatly increased export sales as well as full domestic consumption to provide new jobs for surplus workers discharged from government and industrial jobs under the American sponsored retraining programme.

EXPORTS SAG

Instead, retail sales throughout Japan are sagging, some major consumer goods industries are cutting production, and export sales, particularly of vital textiles, have fallen below expectation this year.

The Communist Party is capitalising on the unrest created by the lay-off programme to spread an atmosphere of popular bitterness and to win support for its openly announced campaign of violence against the government, which is actually enforcing American occupation policies.

The rightist government in turn is capitalising on Communist violence and illegal strikes to justify its proposals for strengthening and centralising of the police forces and clamping down on Communist-led union activity.

Premier Yoshida's Democratic Liberal Party has charged that the Communists plan a violent "August revolution," and has called for a "nationwide anti-Communist offensive."

The Socialist Party, which two years ago was the largest group in the Diet, is generally regarded as having lost influence through internal disputes and failure to take a clear stand between the Communists and Conservatives.

In this atmosphere, Japan has become an ideological battleground in which more pessimistic officials believe that either rightist or leftist extremists are sure to emerge victorious.—United Press.

INFLUENCE LOST

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BRUSSELS, JULY 13.—M.

Frans Van Cauwelaert, the veteran Catholic politician who is trying to bring Belgium's parties together in a new Government Coalition, said here tonight that he had today placed "concrete proposals" before the party leaders.

It is believed that his proposals include the holding of a "popular consultation" of the people on the return of King Leopold to the throne.

M. Van Cauwelaert was given the task of negotiating between the parties after the resignation, 16 days ago of M. Paul Henri Spak's Coalition Cabinet, and the failure by M. Paul Van Zeeland, the Catholic Premier, last week to form a new Government.

At a conference tonight, M. Van Cauwelaert gave the impression that he believed the crisis may be long drawn out. Observers here feel that no solution is likely before next week.

M. Van Cauwelaert said that he was visualising a three-party Government of Liberals, Socialists and Catholics as the "best that Belgium could have in the present circumstances."—Reuter.

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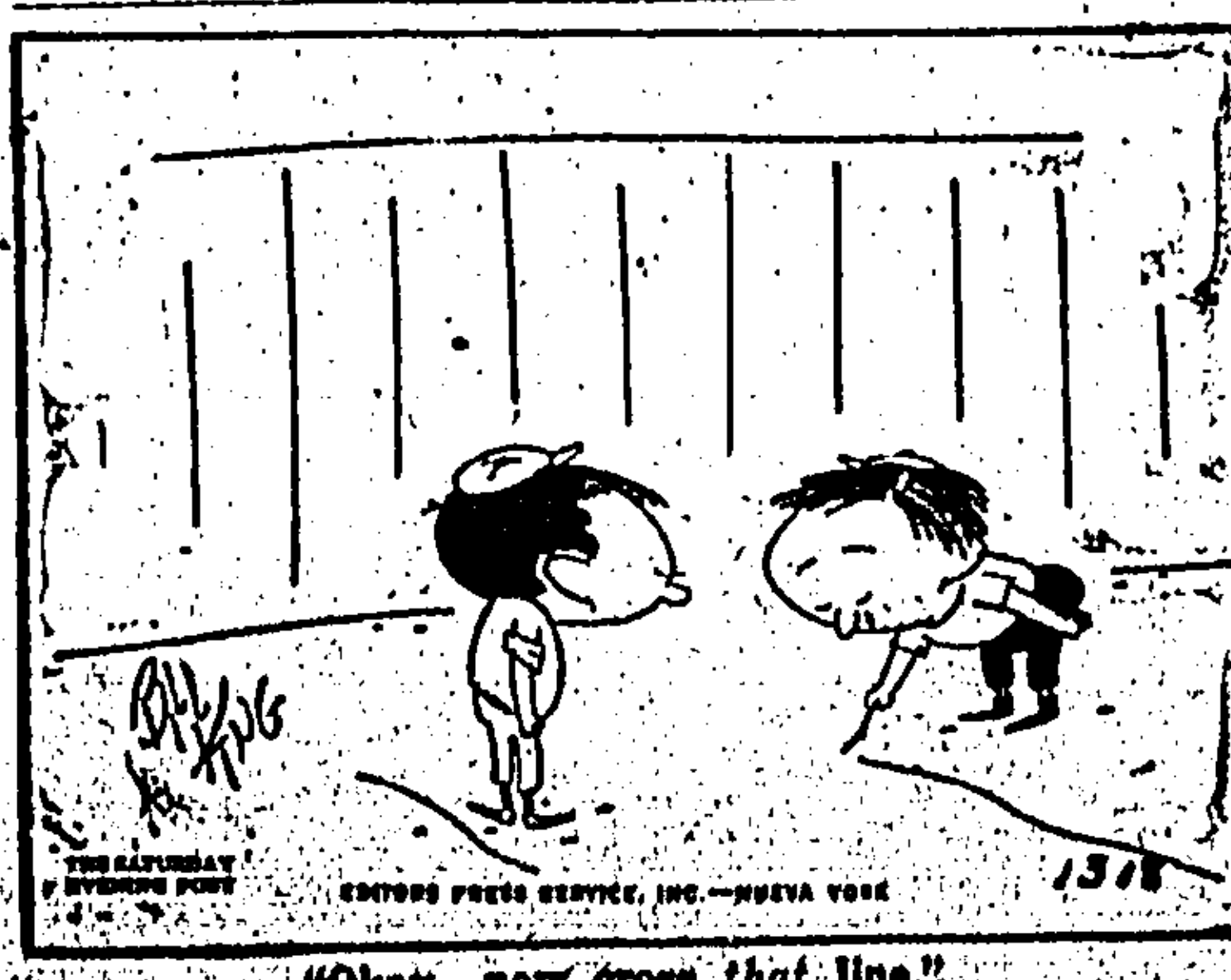
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